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AMUSEMENTS FOR PAST WEEK

Sun Bros' Circus and the Four Pickerts' Company.

Fort Pierce was well supplied with amusements the latter part of last week, on which to start the holidays. As advertised the Four Pickerts' Company opened their engagement in the Improvement Club hall Thursday night before a crowded house. "Oklahoma," a drama of the western plains was the play and gave general satisfaction.

On Friday afternoon and night Sun Brothers' circus showed to good crowds in their immense tent which was pitched on the baseball grounds. This is one of the best shows that travels through Florida and always draws good crowds and presents a good show.

As an evidence that the first night of the Pickerts was satisfactory they were greeted by a crowded house on Friday night, when "Miss Hobbs," a society play was presented.

Saturday afternoon at the matinee "Pick Dominoes" was put on although only a small audience was present.

Saturday night another big house greeted "The Inventor." The general verdict seems to be that this was by far the best play and that the performers excelled their former efforts, although all four performances were excellent.

The specialties at each performance were greatly appreciated. The Four Pickerts in their dancing and singing acts, which have won them an enviable reputation all over the country, were easily the favorites. Moreau Carpenter, the monologue artist, never failed to bring the laughs, while Master Miller, the boy soprano, was compelled to respond to repeated encores at each performance.

The Pickerts announce that they will be here again on their return up the East Coast, opening on Monday night, January 7, 1907.

My Christmas Present.

Henry A. Read, South Deerfield, N. H.
The night before Christmas,
When all at the farm,
Were hugging the stove, so cosy and warm;
And counting the presents they were sure to receive;
Not so much in dead earnest, but a "just make believe."

I said very little, but in fancy could see,
A flask of cologne and a necktie for me.
I never got more I found faint with surprise,
For I'm always expecting cologne and neckties,
At last, getting weary we toddled to bed;
But the valuable presents still ran through my head.

I tossed and I rolled unable to sleep,
Though I said the Lords Prayer, and counted the sheep;
So I quietly slid from the bed to the floor,
And glanced at my sock, on the jam of the door,
It was puffed out with fullness, and I knew by the feel,
It was simply stuffed full from the top to the heel.

Then I moved to the room where the table and tree
Were actually groaning with their weight I could see,
And there on the table, Great Scott! what a sight;
The room was transformed in the course of the night,
Here a pile of cigars, there a dozen of wine;
And the name on the cards told the whole lot was mine,
A neat smoking jacket, a new meerschaum pipe,
A big box of grapefruit and oranges ripe,
But the best was the lien on the farm "paid in full!"

I never imagined that I had such a pull,
And a neat little note from the grocer hard by;
"Dear Sir, to reciprocate now we will try."

Since you have been with us you have paid all your bills,
So different from farmers who live in these hills,
No wonder you're immune for a year from today,
And what ever you want there'll be

"nothing to pay,"
And just then I could feel the cold tendrils twice

Around me, and 'twas over, that sweet dream of mine.
In the morning I jumped from my bed to the floor,

And examined my stocking that hung on the door;
And can you imagine the anger that burned

When I found an old peckie that Nettie had turned!

And out on the table, on the corner alone,

I found that infernal flask of cologne! In a glass of Hungary I drank my own health;

For with a good stomach contentment is wealth,

And I smoked my old pipe, with thankfulness too;

For I thought, "Well I'm getting much more than my due."

Notice of Application for Permission to Sell.

To all whom it may concern: Take notice that I, Minnie G. Eby, guardian for George G. Eby, Venice Eby, Hazel Eby, Della Eby, Isabel Eby and Lois Eby, minor children of said guardian and of S. M. Eby, deceased, will apply to the Hon. James E. Andrews, or his successor in office, County Judge of St. Lucie County, Fla., on the 14th day of January, A. D. 1907, for permission to sell at private sale the six-tenths interests of said minors in and to the following described lands lying and being in St. Lucie County, Fla.

All of the NE 1-4 of SW 1-4 of Sec. 28, Tp 31 S, R 39 East, lying east of Florida East Coast Ry., Right of Way, except a 10 acre lot in SE corner deeded to J. R. Leatherman and recorded in the clerks office, Titusville, Fla., in book "C. C.," page 57 of deeds, also excepting a 4-7 interest in the 104.68 sq. rod lot and store building in the SW corner, deeded to J. R. Leatherman and recorded in said clerk's office in Titusville, Fla., book of deeds "J. J.," page 216, said land containing 18 acres more or less. Also all of the SE 1-4 of Sec. 28, Tp. 31 S, R 39 East, St. Lucie County, Fla., lying west of the Florida East Coast R'y Right of Way, except a strip 16 rods wide across the north end of said quarter, which strip is in two lots, the west being the Public School lot, the east one being the property of Mrs. L. E. Hard—a 20 foot right of way previously reserved for the benefit of these lots is also included in this conveyance, said parcel of land containing 18 acres more or less.

MINNIE G. EBY,
2-5t Guardian for said minors.

Notice of Application For Tax Deed Under Section 8 of Chapter 4888, Laws of Florida.

Notice is hereby given that Nicholas Riley purchaser of Tax Certificate No. 77, dated the 2nd day of July, A. D., 1906, has filed said certificate in my office and has made application for tax deed to issue in accordance with law. Said certificate embraces the following described property situated in St. Lucie county, Florida, to-wit: S 1-2 Lot 7 Subd. of Lot 2, 3, Sec. 27, Tp. 37 S, R. 41 East. The said land being assessed at the date of issuance of such certificate in the name of Unknown. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, said deed will issue thereon on the 21st day of January, A. D., 1907.

Witness my official signature and seal this 14th day of December, A. D., 1906. (Seal) J. E. FULTZ,
Clerk Circuit Court St. Lucie Co., Fla.

EXECUTION SALE.

By virtue of an execution out of the Circuit Court of the Seventh Judicial Circuit of Florida in and for St. Lucie County, on the sixth day of December, A. D. 1906, in a cause where John Hen dry was plaintiff and Frank Tuppen, dry was defendant, I have levied upon and will sell for cash, on Monday, the seventh day of January, A. D. 1907, and within the legal hours of sale, at the court-house door, in Fort Pierce, St. Lucie County, the following described property: The S 1-2 of the NW 1-4 of the SW 1-4 of Sec. 17 and SE 1-4 of the NE 1-4 of Sec. 18, all in Township 35 S, Range 40 E, containing thirty acres, more or less. R. W. LENNARD, Sheriff

A Miraculous Cure.
The following statement by H. M. Adams and wife, Henrietta, Pa., will interest parents and others. "A miraculous cure has taken place in our home. Our child had eczema 5 years home. And was pronounced incurable, when we read about Electric Bitters, and we concluded to try it. Before the second bottle was all taken we noticed a change for the better, and after taking 7 bottles he was completely cured. It's the up-to-date blood medicine and body building tonic. Guaranteed. 50c and \$1.00 at Fort Pierce Drug Co.

The News, like many of the other State papers and like everybody else, took a holiday this week and greets its readers in a smaller form for one week. Our only apology is the fact that everybody, including newspaper people, is entitled to a holiday on the greatest of days—Christmas. However, next week, and each week thereafter—until next Christmas—The News will be the old size, and it will be our aim to give the people of St. Lucie county a better paper each week than the week preceding. We beg your leniency this week with a four page post holiday edition.

MISS CLEOPATRA IS COMING

A Laughable Comedy by Home Talent Monday Night.

Cleopatra Collins will appear on New Years Eve at the Improvement Club hall in Fort Pierce. Do not forget the date, December 31, 1906. This is undoubtedly the best attraction ever put on the stage in Fort Pierce by home talent, and the hall will be filled to its capacity.

The entertainment is furnished by nine strikingly different and original characters. The fascinating Cleopatra, the ludicrous Rawkins and his nagging wife, the dainty Miss Mitty, the treacherous Edwin Vane and his handsome friend, Bob Lupton, the comical constable, the tragic Mowler and the faithful Jelks all contribute to the fast and furious fun.

The play is a new one to our people, and has been staged and rehearsed in first class style under the direction of Fletcher A. Russell, who is too well known to our readers to need an introduction. Mr. Russell takes a prominent part and this alone guarantees its success.

The story of the play gives rise to various exciting and ludicrous situations, and produces a roar of laughter from the rise of the curtain to the end of the last act.

Miss Cleopatra will be present for one performance only, and those who wish to see this unique play should get their seats early, which are now on sale at the Fort Pierce Drug Store. Reserved seats, 50 cents, general admission, 35 cents, children, 25 cents. After the play there will be a dance, with music by the Fort Pierce Band. Don't forget the date—Monday evening, December 31, 1906.

JENSEN.

Walter Hellier and Walter Baker drove to Fort Pierce last Friday.

Many of the Jensenites attended Sun Brothers' circus in Fort Pierce.

F. L. Howard, who has been night operator at the depot here, left Saturday to spend the holidays in Jacksonville.

Miss May L. Hoke is spending her Christmas vacation at home with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Wolf spent Christmas at West Palm Beach.

Miss Sarah Starck of West Palm Beach is spending Christmas with her parents here.

All the pineapple help have laid off for Christmas week.

Mr. Bakers fine team of bays ran away Tuesday morning. No one hurt.

The Christmas tree held at the town hall Monday night was a decided success.

The watch word now-a-days is, "Is it cold enough for you?"

The house boat Deptos was towed to Stuart Wednesday by Mr. Fredrickson's launch.

The fire in the backwoods caused some alarm in Jensen Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Hunter left on Wednesday night for Miami.

Col. Thompson is expected here soon with the house boat "Everglades."

Mr. Hunter and his daughter Edith

are spending Christmas with the rest of the family at the Al Fresco.

Reginald Waters of Miami was in Jensen a few minutes Wednesday evening.

Misses Emily and Mary Rodgers arrived here Monday evening from Newburgh, N. Y.

More winter tourists are arriving at the Al Fresco.

Sun Brothers circus proved to be a big attraction Thursday, crowds attended from both up and down the river.

Several Jensen people drove to Fort Pierce Thursday afternoon in the school wagon. They attended the Masonic banquet.

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The recent cold weather did considerable damage to the bean fields.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Roach are spending Christmas with relatives at Artesia.

J. C. Prevatt and son Albert of Seville are visiting A. A. Ford and family.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Gifford went to Fort Pierce last week taking in the Pickerts and the big show, they were accompanied by the Misses Lela and Luba King, Annie Ford and Master Arthur Ford.

The Christmas tree was splendid with gifts for both young and old. The little folks carried out their part of their programme to perfection, even capturing old Santa. Great credit is due Mrs. Chas. Jandreau for her tireless work in training the children.

Special Session of Court.

A special term of the Circuit Court for St. Lucie county has been called for next month and will convene in Fort Pierce Tuesday, January 8, 1907, to attend to all cases that were left over from the regular fall term in September.

The clerk of the court asks us to state that all witnesses who were summoned and excused at the regular term are expected to appear without further summons of legal process. If they will do this it will save considerable time to the court and expense to the county.

Hunting parties this week have been numerous and game has been served on many tables in Fort Pierce.

School of Music.

Special attention to piano technical and expression. Harmony. Solfege and sight reading touch.
MRS. ATWATER, Fort Pierce, Fla.

Dissolution of Partnership.

The firm of Geiger & Yates, known as the Imperial Fish Company, has been dissolved by mutual consent. O. C. Yates withdraws from the business and J. S. Geiger will continue it under the same name assuming all debts and accounts of the firm.

O. C. YATES.

Notice of Application for Tax Deed Under Section 8 of Chapter 4888, Laws of Florida.

Notice is hereby given that Frank Forster purchaser of Tax Certificate No. 760, dated the 1st day of July, A. D. 1901, has filed said certificate in my office, and has made application for tax deed to issue in accordance with law. Said certificate embraces the following described property situated in St. Lucie county, Florida, to-wit: South 412 feet of Lots 5 and 6, Section 26, Tp. 31 S., R. 39 E., containing 15 acres. The said land being assessed at the date of the issuance of such certificate in the name of L. B. Dawson. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, tax deed will issue thereon on the 14th day of January, A. D. 1907.

Witness my official signature and seal this 11th day of December, A. D. 1906. J. E. FULTZ,
Clerk Circuit Court St. Lucie Co., Fla.

New Cure for Epilepsy.

J. B. Waterman, of Watertown, O., Rural free delivery, writes; "My daughter, afflicted for years with epilepsy, was cured by Dr. King's New Life Pills. She has not had an attack for over two years." Best body cleansers and life giving tonic pills on earth. 25c at Fort Pierce Drug Co.

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENTS

Holiday Festivities in Fort Pierce Were Greatly Enjoyed.

The Christmas festivities in Fort Pierce were many and varied and thoroughly enjoyed by everyone. Christmas morning dawned clear; the air was cool and crisp, with a slight northwest breeze, and suggested the true holiday weather, and all nature seemed to join in making it an ideal Christmas day, although unusually cold for our mild climate. The Christmas spirit was in the air and everybody was happy enjoying the remembrances received from loved ones and the consciousness of having rendered others happy.

The first Christmas entertainment was at the Baptist church Monday evening when a Christmas tree was spread and exercises were held. The church was filled with an expectant throng and the beautiful tree laden with handsome presents for the children, occupied a prominent place. The exercises consisted of songs and recitations by the children, and Santa Claus arrived in time to distribute the presents to the anxious little ones.

Tuesday afternoon the members of the Episcopal Sunday school met at St. Andrews church, where Christmas carols were sung and all members of the Sunday school were remembered by good St. Nicholas and many hearts were made glad.

Tuesday evening the Methodist entertainment was held in the Improvement club hall and was attended by a large crowd which filled the hall. A heavily-laden tree stood on the left while the stage was clear for the participants in the exercises which consisted of songs, recitations, marches and drills. Hearty applause followed each number and it was well deserved. At the close of the last number, Santa Claus, with much noise and clatter, drove up and dismounted, just in time to help in the good cheer and distribute the presents. Everything passed off smoothly, and George Backus, as Kris Kringle, proved a laugh-maker not only to the children, but the grown up folks as well.

Another feature of the Christmas festivities was the target shooting on the wharf, which held the attention of many of the crack shots of town nearly all day. Much interest was taken and good scores resulted.

The usual Christmas dinner parties were given in various parts of the town, and family Christmas trees were numerous.

Lodges Elect Officers.

At the meeting of the Masonic lodge Friday night the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

W. M., J. E. Andrews.
S. W., A. M. Sample.
J. W., John H. Wynn.
Treasurer, W. J. Nesbitt.
Secretary, A. K. Wilson.
S. D., Frank E. Wilson.
J. D., R. L. Goodwin.
Chaplain, Rev. George Moore.
Tyler, L. S. S. Farnsworth.

The local camp of the Woodmen of the World elected officers on December 4th as follows:

C. C., R. W. Godfrey.
A. L., Paul Watkins.
Banker, R. J. Booth.
Clerk, A. C. Dittmar.
Escort, E. C. Summerlin, Jr.
Watchman, C. P. Stanford.
Sentry, H. W. Weir.
Managers, W. H. Tibbs and L. M. Dawson.

Church Notices.

The new pastor of the Methodist church, Rev. Olen Boggses, B. D., will preach in Fort Pierce on the second and fourth Sundays of each month and at Stuart on the first and third Sundays. The fifth Sundays will be divided between the two places. He will preach at Stuart on Sunday, December 30.

Sunday service at the Episcopal church. Rev. Geo. Moore D. D. pastor. 10 a. m. Sunday school, Mr. W. T. Hardin superintendent. 11 a. m. morning prayer, sermon, Theme, "Joy of Christmas." 7:30 p. m., evening prayer, sermon, theme, "Message from God." Wednesday evening prayer and sermon. Seats are free, everybody welcome.